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**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER THE ENERGY PROGRAM AND
BECAUSE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (37 CFR 1.102(c))**

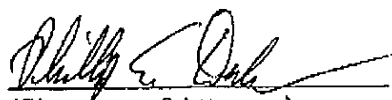
Applicants hereby petition to make this application special as being for an application that a) materially contributes to the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy, and b) materially enhances the quality of the environment of mankind, by contributing to the maintenance of the basic life-sustaining elements (air, water, and/or soil).

Accompanying this petition is a declaration by the first named inventor explaining how the invention materially contributes to the factors listed above.

No fee is required with this petition, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.102(c).

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